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1. SUMMARY. DURING INAUGURAL ADDRESS TO 8TH MEETING OF INTER-AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR EDUCATION SCIENCVSAND CULTURE (CIECC) OF THE OAS, MINISTER OF EDUCATION DARRACQ ACKNOWLEDGED THAT URUGUAY HAD HAD TO TAKE FIRM ANTI-SUBVERSIVE MEASURES IN THE PAST, STATED THAT THE PERIOD OF ARMED CONFRONTATION HAD PASSED AND PLEDGED, "IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNMENT OF URUGUAY", COMPLETE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS. CHOICE OF THIS HEMISPHERIC FORUM UNDERLINES GOU'S HEIGHTENED CONSCIOUSNESS CONCERNING ITS HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION AND ITS COMMITMENT TO RECTIFICATION.

2. IN THE PRESENCE OF PRESIDENT MENDEZ AND THE COUNCIL OF THE NATION, INCLUDING THE MILITARY CINCS AND OTHER PRINCIPAL OFFICERS, MINISTER OF EDUCATION DANIEL DARRACQ INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS TO THE 8TH MEETING OF THE OAS' CIECC IN MONTEVIDEO ON SBRUARY 3; "LET ME FINISH THESE THOUGHTS WITH A VERY DIRECT REFERENCE TO OUR COUNTRY WHICH I FEEL PERTINENT. URUGUAY HAS GONE
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THROUGH A CRISIS WHICH VIOLENTLY SHOOK ITS STRUCTURE. IN OUR LAND WE HAVE EXPERIENCED THE VIOLENCE UNCHAINED BY FOREIGN DOCTRINES SATURATED WITH HATE, COMPLETELY OUTSIDE THE ESSENCE OF OUR PEOPLE. WE HAD TO FIGHT WITH FIRMNESS TO DEFEND OUR THREATENED NATIONAL IDENTITY AND FREEDOMS AND THAT MEANT, AT TIMES, DEFYING THE SEVERITY OF FOREIGN JUDGEMENT. THE STAGE OF ARMED CONFRONTATION HAVING BEEN OVERCOME, AND IN

SPITE OF THE PERMANENT INTRUSIONS OF SUBVERSION, I DECLARE
NOW, IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNMENT OF URUGUAY, THAT WE WILL
APPLY OUR EFFORTS TO THE COMPLETE (INTEGRAL) PROTECTION
OF HUMAN RIGHTS, MAINTAINING AND PERFECTING THE HIGH LEVELS
REACHED THROUGHOUT OUR HISTORY."

3. COMMENT. THE FACT THAT DARRACQ DELIBERATELY PAUSED AND THEN
SPOKE EMPHATICALLY AND EXPLICITLY IN THE NAME OF THE GOU AND
THAT A HEMISPHERIC FORUM WAS CHOSEN TO PLEDGE A RETURN TO
URUGUAY'SC TRADITIONAL RESPECT FOR HUMAN BIGHTS IS IMPORTANT.
WE HAVE NOTED AND REPORTED A HEIGHTENED GOU CONSCIOUSNESS
REGARDING ITS HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION. SOME IMPROVEMENTS HAVE
BEEN MADE BUT THIS IS THE FIRST SOLID COMMITMENT PRESENTED
FORMALLY TO AN PUBLIC AUDIENCE OF SUCH PROPORTION. WE BELIEVE
THAT HAVING MADE THIS COMMITMENT, THE GOU MUST FOLLOW UP
WITH AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT HUMAN RIGHTS IMPROVEMENTS
SOON.
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